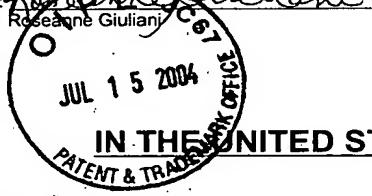


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AMENDMENT A

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed January 21, 2004, on the above-referenced patent application, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.